12–101.

- (a) (1) Unless the court finds from the evidence that the amount of the award will produce an inequitable result, for an initial pleading that requests child support pendente lite, the court shall award child support for a period from the filing of the pleading that requests child support.
- (2) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, UNLESS THE COURT FINDS FROM THE EVIDENCE THAT THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD WILL PRODUCE AN INEQUITABLE RESULT, FOR AN INITIAL PLEADING FILED BY A CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY THAT REQUESTS CHILD SUPPORT, THE COURT SHALL AWARD CHILD SUPPORT FOR A PERIOD FROM THE FILING OF THE PLEADING THAT REQUESTS CHILD SUPPORT.
- (2) (3) For any other pleading that requests child support, the court may award child support for a period from the filing of the pleading that requests child support.
- (b) The court shall give credit for payments that the court finds have been made during the period beginning from the filing of the pleading that requests child support.
 - (C) THE COURT MAY ORDER EITHER PARENT TO PAY ALL OR PART OF:
- (1) THE MOTHER'S MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL EXPENSES FOR PREGNANCY, CONFINEMENT, AND RECOVERY; AND
 - (2) MEDICAL SUPPORT FOR THE CHILD, INCLUDING NEONATAL EXPENSES.

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4-208.

- (a) (1) Within 72 hours after a birth occurs in an institution, the administrative head of the institution or a designee of the administrative head shall:
 - (i) Prepare, on the form that the Secretary provides, a certificate of birth;
 - (ii) Secure each signature that is required on the certificate; and
 - (iii) File the certificate.
- (2) The attending physician shall provide or confirm the date of birth and medical information that are required on the certificate.
- (3) Upon the birth of a child to an unmarried woman in an institution, the administrative head of the institution or the designee of the administrative head shall:
- (i) Provide an opportunity for the child's mother and the father to complete a standardized affidavit of parentage recognizing parentage of the child on the standardized form provided by the Department of Human Resources under § 5–1028.1 of the Family Law Article;
- (ii) Furnish to the mother written information prepared by the Child Support Enforcement Administration concerning the benefits of having the paternity of her child established, including the availability of child support enforcement services; and